Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

It seems to me that it would restrict my right to recieve any over the air broadcast and use it

for my personal use. as listed in some of the FCC regulations and American case laws.

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices? As I see it if the Digital Flag is enacted would put a end to using digital devices to for private recordings for personal use. All digital devices would have to be honored.

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

Yes it would. If new material come out and had had the broadcast flag in it then the older devices would be unable to access that material. There is no guarentee that the older components would work with the new equipment. But also there are manufactures out there that would see that there equipment wouldn't work with the older so that you have to buy theres.

Would a broadcast flag requirement limit the development of future equipment providing consumers with new options?

Yes... the broadcast flag would limit to what a person could own. The recording/movie industry would have a monopoly over the digital while the ordinary person would be stuck in the 19th century with old outdated equipment that don't work

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment?

New equipment with new technology, no one could afford it except the wealthy.

## Other Comments:

As a Amateur Radio operator I use Digital to communicate with fellow hams. I also use digital mode to communicate with other stations in emergencies for Emergency Management and other agencys. The broadcast flage would make that aginst the law, as all digital devices would be affected.